

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 3, 1850, 1 A.M.

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See Our Correspondents for their advertisements.

CONGRESS.—A summary of yesterday and the Senate held its first session in the new hall. Vice President Beckwith made an eloquent speech in the occasion.

It appears at all that Lord Lyons is to be the British Minister at Washington, and not Lord Abercrombie.

We have by telegraph news today later news of the overland mail from California.

WAGAN'S GREAT PAINTING OF ITALY.—All the attachés and children of the American Legation of London, also, all the ladies who were at the English Festival, and all members of the church, &c., are invited to attend the exhibition of this picture this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The doors will be open at 2, and Mr. Haughton has given his services gratis to entitle the occasion with a name.

All others will be charged the usual price of admission—25 cents for adults and 10 cents for children.

Letters for the following persons are dated in the St. Louis post-office, postage not having been paid on them: Anton King, Louisville; Thomas K. Ky, Paris; Mrs. Eliza L. Knott, Lancaster, Ky.

MURDER AND LYNN LAW.—On the 24th ult., Mr. Simon B. Thorburn, who resided near Lexington, was shot dead in his room. He was a young man, knife, and stabb'd him, which caused his death in two days. The negro was taken to Troy and confined in jail. The affair caused much excitement in the country, and on Saturday a very large number of persons collected at Troy, to see the negro, the Master-slave, and lynched him by burning.

C. P. B. Morris, Jr., editor of the Lexington Statesman, was on Saturday last elected Mayor of that city.

Mr. T. S. Stetson, the professional Planché-teacher, has just returned from Carrollton, and is now preparing to give the art to those of his students who desire it.

He has also studied the master with a sharp knife, and stabb'd him, which caused his death in two days.

Stomach-Stroke—*Hurry Loss*.—In our telephone dispatches will be found an account of the sinking of the steamer Madison. The load and cargo belonged to Cincinnati, and were insured.

The Iowa arrived here yesterday, having sustained no damage by the collision. From statements by her crew we learn that the accident occurred close to a bend in the river, and that the pilot sounded the signals. The night was very dark.

Our kind young Hamlin, of the Telegraph, No. 3, has furnished us with the following particular.

The Madam, Capt. Hippie, from New Orleans, with a heavy load of sugar and molasses, was sunk at Aurora Monday night about 8 o'clock by the steamer Madison. The Madamites at first thought she had struck a rock, but as she was struck forward by her engines. The Iowa was running to land at Aurora and the Madison ran across her. No lives were lost. Both insured in \$5,000 and owned by H. Jones, Sherwood and Capt. Hippie.

Photography is a system of writing to truly delineate to the eye of man, and so highly delightful and entertaining the cards, that it is highly popular among the people of England.

Photography is the hand of science, while

the artist is the hand of taste, by which veritable reports of lectures, speeches, and addresses may be left to posterity.

The Franklin Savings' Institute has declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent, and a final dividend of \$100 per share.

The Citizen Guards will hold a meeting this evening at their armory. See notice.

THEATRE.—MRS. JUNIUS DIXON HAYNE, one of the most estimable and talented of our native artists, commences an engagement this evening, when she will appear in "The Merchant of Venice" and "Hamlet." It is some time since this favorite actress has been in our city, and her former reputation will be sufficient to attract attention to her performances, though we understand that she has made a few appearances in the usual variety theater. We hope to see a learned exhibition of actresses during her engagement, which is to appear in a varied selection of pieces, some of them selected by old associations, and others having the names of such well-known English, high-priestesses of the other cities. Mrs. Hayne will be here to wish us to receive a hearty welcome to the scenes of many former triumphs and obtain the same generous patronage which has heretofore been extended to her. She will be tan and genial, and every quality of attractiveness.

Mr. T. J. Groan, late of Philadelphia, has become a partner in the old and well known and popular grocery firm of Weller & Groan.

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From a recent report of the Secretary of the Interior, made to the Senate, it appears that the Government buildings in Washington, including the station and post office, are to be let on lease or sale.

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